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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Secretary of Energy

The Acting Director, Office of Management and

Budget

The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

The Director, Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT:

Interagency Review of the Fiscal Year 1979

Arms Control Impact Statements

The Chairman of the Working Groups will soon be sending you final revisions of ACDA's Analyses for consideration. It seems to me that we should be thinking about which remaining issues are important enough to discuss among ourselves. I am sure you would agree that our own discussions should be limited to issues of sufficient importance and clarity to benefit from SCC level examination; in other words, questions that would be worthy of the President's attention, if necessary.

So far, we have identified two such issues in the interagency working group discussions. These are:

- -- Whether the effect of a program on the size or destructive potential of the US nuclear weapons stockpile is one of several yardsticks for assessing arms control impact (we would say yes);
- -- Whether future (i.e., other than Breeder reactor) non-weapons technology programs may require that ACIS be prepared, pursuant to Article 36 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (we would say yes).

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